SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 91

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A RESOLUTION to propose an amendment to Article II, Section 23, of the Constitution of Tennessee, relative to authorizing the General Assembly to reduce the amount of salary or expenses paid to members of the General Assembly during their current terms in certain circumstances.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that a majority of all the members of each house concurring, as shown by the yeas and nays entered on their journals, that it is proposed that Article II, Section 23, of the Constitution of Tennessee is amended by adding the following language immediately after the third sentence of the section:

Provided, however, during a two year session of the General Assembly after both houses by joint resolution have certified that a state of emergency exists, a natural disaster has afflicted the State or that state revenues are in a period of substantial decline, then the General Assembly may by law decrease the compensation and expenses of members of the General Assembly during their current term.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the foregoing amendment be referred to the One Hundred Eighth General Assembly and that this resolution proposing such amendment be published by the Secretary of State in accordance with Article XI, Section 3, of the Constitution of Tennessee by means of posting this resolution on the official web site of the secretary of state.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Senate is directed to deliver a copy of this resolution to the Secretary of State.